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TO AMEMBASSY GABORONE

AMEMBASSY MASERU

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FOLLOWING REPEAT USDOC 16074, ACTION MBABANE INFO SECSTATE  
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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BBAK, WZ

SUBJECT: GUY FRANCIS STARK ASSOCIATES

RFF: MBABANE 2916

1. SUBJECT FIRM AND GUY FRANCIS STARK, PRESIDENT HAVE  
FOLLOWED A REGRETTABLY CONSISTENT PATTERN FOR  
SEVERAL YEARS OF SENDING REQUESTS TO U.S. AMBASSADORS.  
COMMERCE HAS TRIED TO DISCOURAGE THIS PRACTICE BY DIRECT  
CONTACT AND COMMUNICATION WITH STARK ON NUMEROUS  
OCCASIONS AND HAS PUT HIS NAME AS WELL AS COMPANIES WITH  
WHICH HE HAS BEEN AFFILIATED ON THE LISTS OF CIRCULAR  
LETTER WRITERS WHICH ARE SENT PERIODICALLY TO ALL FS  
POSTS.

2. G.F. STARK APPEARS TO HAVE AN UNUSUALLY  
RESISTENT EPIDERMIS AND AN ABILITY TO PERUSE, WITHOUT  
ABSORBING OR UNDERSTANDING, THE CONTENT OF LETTERS FROM  
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COMMERCE OFFICERS AND FS PERSONNEL. WE HAVE NO EVIDENCE,  
HOWEVER, THAT THESE CHARACTERISTICS HAVE HELPED HIM TO  
ADVANCE HIS INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS.

3. STARK IS KNOWN TO HAVE SERVED AS AN  
INDUSTRY OFFICER (FSR) WITH AID AND TO HAVE HAD  
ASSIGNMENTS IN TAIWAN AND SAIGON IN THE YEARS 1957-64  
AS AN EVALUATOR AND/OR EXPEDITER OF PROJECTS ELIGIBLE

FOR AID FINANCING.

4. ALL REQUESTS THROUGH CREDIT AGENCIES FOR NORMAL BONA FIDES INFORMATION ON STARK AND SUBJECT COMPANY RECEIVE RESPONSE THAT STARK DECLINES TO PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT HIS COMPANY OR ASSOCIATES. STARK HAS, HOWEVER, PROVIDED COMMERCE ON DIFFERENT OCCASIONS WITH COPIES OF FINANCING PROPOSALS. THE RESULTS OF THESE OFFERS, SUCCESSFUL OR OTHERWISE, HAVE NOT BEEN DISCLOSED. UNQUOTE. CHRISTOPHER

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